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Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-11 and 20 have been amended to make some clarifying amendments and to be put in better form for issuance in a U.S. patent. In addition, claim 21 has been added based on the disclosure throughout the specification and drawings. See, for example, pages 14-21. Still further, claims 12-19 have been canceled, without prejudice. No new matter has been added, and it is respectfully requested that the amendments to the claims be approved and entered.

THE PRIOR ART REJECTION

Claims 1, 5-7, 11, 12, 15-17, and 20 were rejected under 35 USC 102 as being anticipated by USP 7,319,480 ("Akiyama et al"); claims 2-4, 9, 10, 13, 14 and 19 were rejected under 35 USC 103 as being obvious in view of Akiyama et al; and claims 8 and 18 were rejected under 35 USC 103 as being obvious in view of the combination of Akiyama et al and USP 6,731,952 ("Schaeffer et al"). These rejections, however, are respectfully traversed with respect to the claims set forth hereinabove.

Akiyama et al¹ discloses in Fig. 5 and column 7, lines 24-40 that when one of the small navigation images 632A-632D is selected, a large navigation image 622 corresponding to the selected small navigation image is displayed in the large window 620. Akiyama et al also discloses a PLAY icon 642 to play the image in the image window 620. See column 7, lines 24-40 and 57-65, and Fig. 5 of Akiyama et al.

It is respectfully submitted, however, that Akiyama et al does not disclose or suggest reduction means for reducing the size of the video corresponding to the selected thumbnail image to the size of the thumbnail image, and playback means for playing the reduced-size video in a display position of the selected thumbnail image, as according to the present invention as recited in claim 1 (or the corresponding features of claims 11 and 20). See, for example, Fig. 12 of the present application, in which a video file corresponding to the selected thumbnail image 200 is played back in the position of the selected thumbnail image 200 and such that the video has the same size as the selected thumbnail image 200.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1, 11, and 20, and claims 2-10 and 21 depending from claim 1, all

¹ The portion of Akiyama et al relied on by the Examiner with respect to the selection means and playback means of original claim 1.

patentably distinguish over Akiyama et al, taken singly or in combination with Schaeffer et al, under 35 USC 102 as well as under 35 USC 103.

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Entry of this Amendment, allowance of the claims and the passing of this application to issue are respectfully solicited.

If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

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